

# PRAYER of the FAITHFUL

**Celebrant:** *These or similar words:*  
Through our Saviour, Jesus Christ, our Loving God embraces and reconciles the world He so loves.  
In these Easter days we come before him as we pray for the Church and for the world.

**SUNG: Cantor:** Christ Our Light  
**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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**Reader:** For the Church – God’s Easter people – may we never cease to proclaim the truth of the Resurrection; that a doubting world may come to see and believe in our Risen, Lord.

**Sung: Cantor:** Christ Our Light  
**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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**Reader:** For Francis, our Pope, and all who lead and pastor God’s people; that in a world that longs for authentic witness - they will lead with vision, courage and compassion.

**Sung: Cantor:** Christ Our Light  
**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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**Reader:** For those whose life is a struggle, in these days of financial uncertainty. For those seeking employment; for those building businesses; for managers and employers; may the Lord – in His providence - lead all people to prosperity and security.

**Response: Cantor:** Christ Our Light  
**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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For the sick and those who care for them,  
that the risen Christ may show them his love  
and give them strength to bear their sorrows.

**Cantor:** Christ Our Light  
**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

## CELEBRATE 2013

**Reader:** For our beloved dead and all who have gone before us marked with a sign of faith – especially those we name now in the silence of our hearts (*pause*).

May they rest in peace and rise in Glory

**Sung: Cantor:** Christ Our Light

**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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**Reader:** For the private intentions in the silence of our hearts...

**Cantor:** Christ Our Light

**All:** Risen to set us free; hear our prayer, O Lord

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**Celebrant:** *These or similar words:*

Father, hear the prayers of your people  
which we make in faith through Christ Jesus, our risen Lord,  
who lives and reigns forever and ever  
**AMEN**